

**OFFICE OF THE
ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION
JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781 037**

Case No. : SIC/KP(M).1034/2017
Appellant : Shri Hari Narayan Pathak
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Deputy Commissioner, Cachar, Assam
Date of hearing : 08.03.2018
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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The Appellant, Shri Harinarayan Pathak is present.

The SPIO absent without information.

Heard the Appellant. He reiterated his submission made in the Second Appeal dated 14.08.2017. His submission was that he had not received the information he had sought for.

The Commission took note of the report that there has been a disruption in the postal service during the month since the beginning of February, 2018 and there was a likelihood of the notice for today's hearing dated 12.02.2018 not been received by the SPIO. Considering this, the Second Appeal is hereby adjourned.

The next date of hearing shall be 07.05.2018 at 11:30 AM.

However, considering the submission of the Appellant, the Commission observes that information sought for through an Application dated 29.04.2017 has not been received by the Appellant inspite of his First Appeal dated 14.06.2017. There has thus been an inordinate delay in furnishing the information even after expiry of the stipulated maximum of 30 days.

The SPIO shall be personally present in the next hearing and shall submit a detailed Written Statement containing all relevant information including the date of receipt of the RTI Application by him and the date of response given thereon, if any.

Further, the First Appellate Authority/Deputy Commissioner, Cachar shall apprise the Commission about the steps he had taken, if any, to dispose of the First Appeal within the stipulated time either by a written statement or his personal attendance or by deputing a representative on the date of hearing.

However, if the information will have been furnished to the Appellant to his satisfaction and acknowledged by him before the next hearing, the SPIO shall apprise the Commission the fact before the date of hearing to facilitate a decision on the Second Appeal.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Assam Information Commission

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3. The Appellant, Shri Hari Narayan Pathak, Padum Pukhuri, Uzan Bazar, Guwahati-781 001, Assam for information.
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